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		DOCUMENT NO.	DATE	COUNTRY	TRANSLATION YES NO		ABSTRACT
	AG	11-65514	03/09/1999	Japan		X	Yes
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The following, prior-filed, copending U.S. patent application(s) is/are listed in accordance with the duty of disclosure provisions of 37 CFR § 1.56, so that the Examiner may consider same should he deem any thereof to be material to examination of the subject application. Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.98(a)(2)(iii), a copy of the identified copending application(s) is provided, UNLESS DOMESTIC PRIORITY IS CLAIMED THEREON UNDER 35 U.S.C. § 120 AND/OR THE APPLICATION IS PUBLISHED. 37 CFR § 1.98(a)(2)(II),(III) AND 1.98(3)(d)(1).

It is requested that the Examiner acknowledge his consideration of application(s) below-listed by initialling same in the space provided adjacent each such application and that the Examiner sign and date this form at the bottom thereof to confirm such consideration having been given.

This submission in no way represents an admission that any of the information listed herein constitutes prior art with respect to the subject application; and unless and until such prior art status is established, this submission is not a request that the information presented herein be printed on the face of any patent issuing from the subject application in which this information is being filed.

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	1	12/081,028	04/09/08	Naoki ITOKAWA, et al.	HITACHI, LTD.
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